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KEYTESVILLE, - MISSOURI

Have you tried Rose, the new baker?

Try six pounds of roasted coffee at Swain's for \$1.

A car load of Michigan salt, just received, at Brill's.

Bread, pies and cakes at Rose's restaurant and bakery.

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Brunswick's colored population observed emancipation day last Monday.

J. R. Redd, Will Goodman and Jas. Nelson, of Salisbury, spent Sunday afternoon in Keytesville.

Our lawyers are all attending circuit court at Salisbury this week, and as a consequence Keytesville's population is more truthful and more pious than usual.

FOR RENT:—Farm of 320 acres, five miles southeast of Mendon. Apply by letter or in person to H. McWilliams, at Citizens' National bank, Kansas City, Missouri.

—Grandma Wren, of five miles northwest of town, is up near Rothville visiting her handsome grandson, with which Mrs. Elias Shoop recently presented her liege lord.

Miss Lillie Mann, who is teaching a successful school at the Taylor schoolhouse, three miles southwest of Keytesville, went to Kansas City last Saturday to have a pair of glasses adjusted.

If you wish to obtain a reliable abstract of title to your lands, or a loan on unincumbered farms at a low rate of interest, call on Geo. N. Elliott & Co. Office in court-house, Keytesville, Mo.

Miss Susie Hampton, a winsome daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hampton, of near Triplett, pleasantly entertained several of her young friends on Thursday evening of last week in honor of her 19th birthday.

The COURIER family was made glad last Saturday by our considerate neighbor Mrs. John Chivers, the good wife of Postmaster Chivers, who presented us with some of the finest sausage that ever tickled our palate.

A. J. Ford, a colored resident of Brunswick, will lead the procession in Chariton county this year on spring chickens, as he had a precocious hen to hatch a brood of feathered youngsters on New Year's day.

For the benefit of two of our esteemed correspondents we desire to impart the information that vicinity is spelled "vicinity," a "d" not "vacity," while the proper orthography for visit is "visit" and not "vi sat."

There were about 35 accessions to the church as a result of the recent protracted meeting at the Cumberland Presbyterian church near Prairie Hill. The services were conducted by Revs. Rount, Sharon and Bacon.

Rev. Parker Stockdale, a ministerial student of William Jewell college at Liberty, Mo., has been called to the pastorate of the Baptist church at Salisbury. He is said to be a very bright and promising young man.

The Press-Spectator expresses the opinion that train robbers should be treated as murderers. So they are, Brother Gallemore. Both murderers and train robbers are subjects for capital punishment under the laws of Missouri.

The Salisbury Press-Spectator announces that Treasurer-elect John Knappenberger's term of office begins March 1st. This is a mistake. Mr. Knappenberger will not enter upon the discharge of his official duties until April 1st.

We call the attention of our readers this week to the announcement of F. M. Veatch, who will be a candidate for constable of Keytesville township at the ensuing township election. Mr. Veatch has been well tried in this office, and in no respect has been found wanting. Good constables are born, not made, and Mr. Veatch is one of the "born" kind.

Frank Dafayette and family, of near Echo, returned last Saturday from a pleasant visit to Mrs. Dafayette's sister, Mrs. Emma Snyder, of Sedalia. We are indebted to Mrs. Snyder for having sent us \$1 on her subscription by Mr. Dafayette.

The meeting of the Embroidery club, which was to have been held at Mrs. A. F. Taylor's yesterday afternoon, was postponed until the first Thursday afternoon after the protracted meeting, now in progress at the Baptist church, closes.

Mr. and Mrs. Murry Bennett, of five miles northeast of Keytesville, will celebrate the 30th, or pearl anniversary of their marriage next Monday, and have invited a number of their friends and neighbors to join in the good cheer of the occasion.

F. W. Sasse, of Brunswick, was among the victims of the recent sleet, which made the sidewalks so dangerous for the too-confiding pedestrian. Mr. Sasse fell and broke his right arm in two places between the wrist and elbow on Tuesday of last week.

Dr. J. W. Hawkins and Attorney R. B. Caples, of Glasgow, came up to Keytesville Wednesday evening to probate the will of Mrs. Powell, who lived near Glasgow, and recently deceased. Mrs. Powell was the widow of the late Dr. Powell, who for many years lived in the northern suburbs of Glasgow and on the southern border of Chariton county.

T. E. R. Ewing, the biggest man according to his size now on earth, makes his bow this week to the voters of Keytesville township, and gives notice that he will again ask for the office of clerk and ex officio assessor. This is Ed.'s second term, and as his official record is without blemish, there is no reason why he should not receive a strong endorsement.

While in Jefferson City we formed the acquaintance of Leut. Governor Bolte, whom we found to be a very pleasant, sensible gentleman. He inquired after the welfare of some of his Chariton county acquaintances who formerly lived neighbors to him in Franklin county, among whom were Barney Himmelberg and Frank Geatz, of Missouri township.

W. H. Horton, of Miles City, Mont., who has been visiting old friends and relatives in Chariton and Randolph counties since last fall, expects to start back for his western home from Salisbury in an emigrant car next Tuesday, and will take several head of horses and cattle back with him. Mr. Horton and his brother, Tom, own a large stock ranch near Miles City, and are said to be doing well.

J. W. Miller, of near Bynumville, who was the Populist candidate for public administrator at the late November election, and who actually thought he was going to be elected, and was making preparations to move to Keytesville, but changed his mind after the returns came in and he was defeated by T. E. Mackay by just 3,933 votes, has traded his 80-acre farm for property at Trenton, Mo., and will move to that place. Mr. Miller, it seems, was bound not to be disappointed in moving to town, whether it be in an official capacity or as a private citizen.

Go to Brill for groceries, glassware, queasware, tinware, candies, cigars and tobacco.

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By her who in this month is born
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and I'm ready to put your clock in first-class order for very little money, and guarantee it for one year.

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When I clean a clock I put it in first-class order and no "extras" charged for, unless parts are lost or broken. I repair any kind, make or style of clock—Grandfather's, Old Wooden, French or Yankee.

have shipped three car loads of hogs to Chicago.

January and February are the two dullest months in the year for the newspaper publisher. Both advertising and job work are always slack during these two months, and it takes close figuring to make both ends meet. Our subscribers will please make a note of this, and if behind on their subscription, come in and settle up. We will need every cent due us on subscription to meet the running expenses of the office.

Bob Mullins, colored, of Salisbury, sent to the penitentiary in January '95 for using his knife too freely on Lizzie Black, colored, was pardoned out by Gov. Stone last Monday and has since returned to Salisbury. Bob speaks in glowing terms of the treatment he received while in the pen; his future conduct will determine whether he prefers prison life to making an honest living elsewhere.

M. L. Finneil, Keytesville township's hustling tax-gatherer, steps into the political arena this week and serves notice on the voters that he will be a candidate for re-election to the office of township collector of Keytesville township, and, "by Ned," he expects to get there. "Milt" has few equals and no superiors as a collector, and a very commendable characteristic he possesses, too, is that he is so pleasant about while "robbing" a poor fellow for his country's sake.

Col. Wm. M. Willett has concluded to measure swords with M. L. Finneil in the race for collector of Keytesville township, and so announces elsewhere in this issue of the COURIER. The colonel was born and raised in Keytesville township, and doesn't stand in need of any encomium at our hands. He embodies the material out of which to make an acceptable collector, and the colonel avers that he expects to make the collector's race an exceedingly interesting contest, not only for Mr. Finneil, but for any others that may apply.

J. T. Bunton, late of the livery firm of Franklin & Bunton, of Keytesville, returned Tuesday afternoon from a visit of two weeks to friends and relatives at Macon, Mo. He reports that they are having an exceedingly warm time at Macon over choosing a Democratic nominee for congress in the First district to succeed Hon. P. P. Giles, who died since he was elected to congress last November. The Republicans, Mr. Bunton says, are also having a heated contest over the selection of a candidate to oppose the Democratic nominee, whoever he may be.

Revival Meeting.

Rev. C. F. D. Arnold, the pastor, began a protracted meeting at the Baptist church in Keytesville last Sunday, which we are glad to say, promises gratifying results. He is assisted by Rev. Mr. Simmons, of Huntsville, who does the preaching. Brother Simmons is an able exponent of the "word," whose earnestness and sincerity cause the attendance of a large and attentive congregation. Already there have been several parties forward for prayer. We hope all Christians in and around Keytesville will give this meeting their unqualified support, and by their presence and with their prayers aid in securing a grand victory over "the world, the flesh and the devil." Such a victory is badly needed, and will be given if God's people are united in their efforts to secure it.

Prosecuting Attorney George S. Elliott, while attempting to arrest Jim Albright, was shot and probably fatally wounded at Bertrand, Mo., on Jan. 12th. A warrant had been issued for Albright's arrest for complicity in the murder of Isaac Large in October, 1896. Joe Albright, the murderer, is in jail, and will be tried for the crime at the next term of the circuit court. The arrest of Jim Albright was attempted by Elliott and ex-City Marshal Elkins at the home of Dan Mattingly, resulting in the serious wounding of Elliott. Albright is still at large.

At St. Joseph, Mo., the other day Mrs. Anna Raiser of, Forest City, took a dose of rough-on-rats, wrapped herself in a sheet and laid down in the street to die. She was found in time to get medical assistance.

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Marion Moxley Pardoned.

Marion Moxley, who attained a great deal of notoriety in this county several years ago on account of his arrest, trial and conviction upon the charge of wife-murder, was pardoned out of the penitentiary last Monday by Gov. Stone, and arrived at Keytesville on Wednesday, where he was met by his second wife and children, all of whom soon took their departure for their home, near Pee Dee, some 10 or 12 miles northeast of Keytesville, where, Moxley says, he intends to work hard trying to make an honest living for himself and family.

Moxley's guilt of the crime for which he was tried and convicted has always been a matter of grave doubt in the minds of many Chariton county citizens, and it was this fact which accounted for so many names being signed to a petition to the governor requesting that Moxley be pardoned.

Added to this, too, was the further fact that the supreme court twice reversed the decision of the lower court in which Moxley was convicted. At his first trial he was found guilty and sentenced to 33 years in the penitentiary. An appeal was taken to the supreme court and the case reversed and remanded. A second trial resulted in the defendant's being found guilty and sentenced to the penitentiary for 20 years, but the higher court again reversed the finding of the lower court. A third trial resulted still more favorably to Moxley in the lower court, and he received a sentence of only 10 years. This time, however, the supreme court affirmed the decision of the circuit court, and the defendant had to enter upon the service of his 10 years' sentence, but executive clemency was extended upon the petition so numerous signed by Chariton county citizens, including, we believe, the jury which passed the last-named sentence upon Moxley.

While awaiting his first trial and pending his various appeals to the supreme court, Moxley spent a long time in the county jail and some two years or more in the penitentiary, but while awaiting the result of his last appeal

To Our Friends:

We desire to express our sincere thanks to our many friends for their liberal patronage during 1896, and assure them that we will be better prepared than ever during 1897 to supply their wants with first-class Groceries at the Lowest Living Prices.

Wishing all a Happy and Prosperous New Year, and hoping that those who are indebted to us will now be as considerate of our needs we have been indulgent to them, and will call AT ONCE and settle their accounts, we are

Yours, Very Respectfully,
W. G. AGEE & BRO.,
The Leading Grocers,
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he was out on bond, and on the 19th of October, 1891, he was married to Mrs. L. Cook, a widow living near Pee Dee, and who came to Keytesville last Wednesday to give him a joyous welcome upon his return home.

Gov. Stephens has appointed John W. Baldwin coil oil inspector for Sedalia for a term of two years from Jan. 21st, 1897.

E. Silk, late street commissioner of Moberly, now under indictment for murder for shooting and killing John Hellensmith, 17, gave bond in the sum of \$5,000.

A bill of great interest to the colored people of the state was introduced in the Missouri legislature last Tuesday by Senator Peers. It provides that Lincoln institute be made the state university for negro students.